

Directors Accept Scholarship Aid

The A&M board of directors Saturday accepted \$57,293.05 in grants-in-aid, scholarships, fellowships, gifts and awards, all of which were made since the last meeting of the board in November, 1952.

Grants-in-aid to the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station totaled \$33,928; scholarships, \$16,025; fellowships, \$1,000; awards, \$300; gifts, \$5,540.05; grant-in-aid to A&M, \$500. Loans in machinery also were made to the station.

The grants-in-aid to the Experiment Station came from the National Cottonseed Products Association Inc., (two) Memphis; Quaker Oats Company, (two) Chicago; Nutrition Foundation Inc., New York, N.Y.; Midwest Research Institute, Kansas City, Mo.; Hail Insurance Adjustment and Research Association, Chicago; Texas Turf Association, (two) Tyler; Goldthwaite's Texas Toro Company, Fort Worth; The Julius Hyman and Company Division of the Shell Chemical Corp., Denver, Colo.; The Research Corp., Williams-Water-

man Fund, New York, N.Y.; United States Golf Association, Beltsville, Maryland; American Potash Institute Inc., Atlanta, Ga.; Dow Chemical Company, Midland, Michigan.

Loans of machinery from the Dempster Mill Manufacturing Company, San Antonio and The Oliver Corporation (two), Dallas.

The college received gifts from the A&M Mothers' clubs of Erath County, San Angelo, Laredo, Deep East Texas, San Antonio, Port Arthur, Corpus Christi, Fort Worth, State Federation of A&M Mothers' Clubs, the Encyclopedia Britannica Inc., Houston, Mrs. A. D. Mebane, Lockhart, Hayes-Sammons, Mission; John F. Younger and family Midland; Westinghouse Electric Corp., St. Louis, Mo.; J. S. Farmer, Junction; Roy A. Brewer, San Antonio; Class of 1925.

B'nai Brith Offers Two
Scholarships came from B'nai Brith Hillel Foundation, Houston Endowment Inc., (two), Texas Farm Products Co., Tom J. Wolfe, Midland A&M Club, Dallas A&M Mothers' Club, Louise Henderson, Mosher Steel Company, Gifford-Hill and Co., Dick Price, J. F. Postelle, Lilly Ice Cream Co., Universal Oil Products, A. F. Mitchell, Atlantic Refining Co., E. O. Cartwright, M. T. Halbouty, graduate fellowship; awards, T. W. Mohle and T. W. Mohle and Company, Phillips Petroleum Co., fellowship.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Larsen, additional gift to principal of Leonard Gage Larsen Memorial Scholarship fund; Earl H. Hulsey, for the Earl H. Hulsey Opportunity Award.

A grant-in-aid was from California Spray Chemical Corp.

Prairie View A&M College, gifts, came from American Cancer Society and the Kiwanis Club of College Station.

Board Approves New Promotions

Promotions in the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, Texas Agricultural Extension Service and Texas Forest Service, were confirmed Saturday by the A&M board of directors.

The promotions follow: Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, Jack L. Hubbard, assistant agronomist to associate agronomist, Substation No. 15, Weslaco; Elton K. Crouch, assistant animal husbandman to associate animal husbandman, East Texas Pasture Investigations Laboratory, Lufkin.

Texas Agricultural Extension Service: Blueford G. Hancock, assistant horticulturist to horticulturist; Archie M. Meekma, associate dairy husbandman to dairy husbandman; Warren W. Picketts Jr., assistant county agricultural agent to county agricultural agent-at-large; Gerald M. York, assistant county agricultural agent to county agricultural agent.

Texas Forest Service, Fire Control Department: Arthur Lee Brock, senior crewleader to special in equipment maintenance; Donald W. Smith, District No. 1, Linden, assistant forester to assistant district forester; District No. 3, Lufkin, Robert H. Strauss, assistant forester to district forester; District No. 5, Kirbyville, Fred R. Hetzel, lookout, to crewman; District No. 6, Conroe, Jas. B. Webster, assistant district forester to district forester.

Directors Accept Bid for Gym Floor
The A&M College System Directors accepted the \$26,875 bid of Di Natale Floors Inc. to furnish a removable gymnasium floor for the main floor of the new Physical Education Building. One hundred feet wide and 136 feet long, the floor may be removed if it becomes desirable to hold a show or display, such as animal shows or machinery exhibits. Also accepted was a bid of \$15,135 by the Bleacher Sales Co. of Houston to install 1190 folding gym seats in the new building. Now under construction, the building will be ready for use in September.

Directors Approve

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An appropriation of \$19,000 was made for the purchase of radiological equipment by the school of veterinary medicine. The equipment is to be used for diagnostic and therapeutic purposes.

Prairie View A&M received \$20,000 additional funds for department maintenance and equipment and \$7,500 for improvements to the president's home.

Patent Rights Given
The directors gave permission to H. P. Smith of the agricultural engineering department to negotiate for patent rights on a rubber-paddle type roller for use with mechanical cotton stripping machines. They also authorized Chancellor Gibb Gilchrist to request the state legislature to amend the statutes covering leasing of lands under the board's control for oil, gas, or

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for students who have overcome obstacles in bringing out these qualities in themselves.

Freshmen may apply for the Ft. Worth A&M Mothers' Club Award, a \$200 scholarship given to a boy whose home is in Tarrant county who has shown outstanding qualities of leadership, scholarship and character.

Juniors are eligible for a \$100 scholarship sponsored by the Brazos County A&M Mothers' Club. The main consideration besides being outstanding in leadership, scholarship and character is residence in Brazos county.

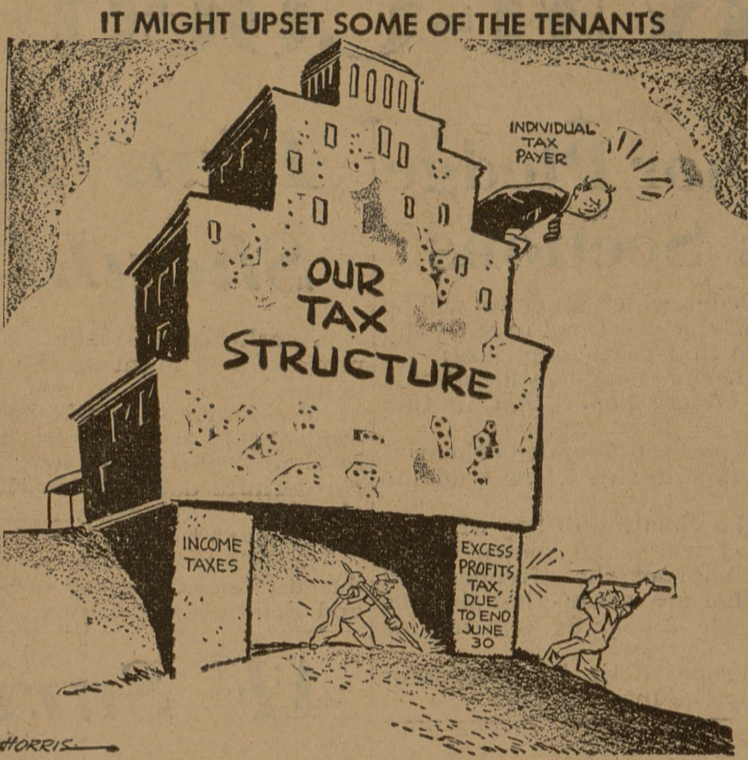
The faculty committee on scholarships will award the stipends later this spring, said McQuillen.

BACKWARD GLANCES

Five Years Ago Today
The Student Senate discussed forming a quiz file in the library.

Ten Years Ago Today
Worth Crouch, a movies stunt man, was killed while working on the Walter Wagner production, "We've Never Been Licked." He was thrown from a caisson on the field artillery runaway scene.

Twenty Years Ago Today
The Battalion (magazine) was carrying on a traditional feud with The Texas Ranger of the University of Texas.



CHS Slates Folk Opera Next Monday
An American folk opera will be presented by the A&M Consolidated High School chorus Monday and Tuesday of next week.

"Down in the Valley" was written by Kurt Weill. The opera is based on five folk songs. Weill is the author of "September Song" and the musical comedy "Connecticut Yankee." Both performances will begin at 8:15 p. m. Tickets will be 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for children, with proceeds going to the music department for new chorus robes.

"It will be worth five times the price of the ticket," said Robert L. Boone, director of the CHS chorus. Leads will be taken by Janet Folweiler, as Jenny, and Jimmy Bond, as Black Weaver. There will be seven major characters and a 22-voice chorus.

Sarah Puddy designed the sets and music will be provided by Betty Bolander and Margaret Berry on twin pianos.

"Down in the Valley" is an opera because it ends tragically, Boone said. "Only a few high school groups have tried it."

Kahan Slated to Speak To Meteorology Group
"The Current Status of Rain-Making" will be discussed by Archie M. Kahan, oceanography department, at 7:45 p. m. Friday in the biological science room.

Famous Oil Executive Speaks Here Tonight
Dr. Kenneth C. Beach will speak tonight at 8 p. m. in the Biological Science lecture room. Dr. Beach is coordinator of training services for the American Oil Company of New York City and Saudi Arabia.

A technicolor film, "Education Through an American Industry for Improving International Relations," will also be shown, said Dr. Ide P. Trotter, dean of graduate school.

LETTERS TO THE EDITORS Former Yell Leader Agrees 'A&M Would Be Better---Coed'

Editors, The Battalion:
Your editorial of last Wednesday was one of the best and most timely articles that I have seen in The Batt.

Speaking as one who loves A&M, I feel that you are entirely correct. You have brought up a problem that we must meet and solve. It's up to each of us to do all that is possible to keep A&M great.

An A&M degree is no better than "current" popular public opinion of the school.

It is impossible to put ones feeling for A&M in words. A definition of "Aggie Spirit" cannot be made—its too big. As a former head yell leader, I tried to put it in words and illustrations though I knew it couldn't be done. The real reason probably can be explained by the fact the "Aggie Spirit" is something a little bit different to each of us who has cared for the school and those we knew there.

Your article sees our alternatives as they actually are, and we will have to choose our path or accept mediocrity. TSCW is an example to observe. In the twenties and thirties it was an outstanding school that was well known throughout the Southwest. Now even North Texas State is better known outside Texas. We still appreciate their girls though.

ROTC in every college is definitely the cause of our relative decline. A larger percentage of people are going to college but the enrollments at A&M and TSCW are not keeping pace. We could maintain a national reputation by having an outstanding military program and high academic standards. This route would lead to a small student body with a second rate athletic program (as are found at VMI, The Citadel, etc.).

However I like to think of A&M as a school for the masses, the all-around boy and the normal college student.

The young men enjoy athletics, dates, recreational activities, etc. more than books and military precision. Don't let me imply that books and an education aren't what you should come to college for though. For normal development you need the other too.

Recently I have had considerable experience attempting to talk students and athletes into attending A&M. It's a tough job; the chief objection is "no girls."

You might say that A&M is better off without that kind, but it's not true. Many a potential good Aggie and all around boy will not attend A&M. We are getting less students all of the time. At random, pick a group of high school students or ex-GI's that you would like to see come to A&M and see how many you can sell on A&M. I've tried it; it's tough.

I believe we can make A&M coed and still have the best school spirit and college in the land. We have a fine faculty and commandant. Through that the college could grow and expand its program. A&M appeals to those who have a regard for their fellow man, a desire to improve oneself, and with little interest in high society and "frats."

Problem Seen, Support Given

Editors, The Battalion:
More power to you! You've got the ball rolling. Now keep plugging.

No one can say for sure what the solution is, but few will deny there is a problem and something should be done!

- Rodney Heath '54
- Billy C. Wallace '53
- Frank J. Koenig '52
- Bill G. Felix '54
- B. H. Anderson '54
- D. B. Farg '54
- J. L. Shelton '55

There are girls at other schools who need the advancement. Together they could build a better team. I never thought I could see the day when I would see a Texas A&M changing college.

John M. K... Oklahoma...

'Old Guard' Ross Hall

Editors, The Battalion:
We as "Old Guard" members of the Law Hall non-magnificently honor the memory of a few of our former soldiers boys who passed on. We refer to the hirelings of the college department.

These gentlemen and valiantly superior names of students enter the hallowed grounds of the MSC, sans uniform, "true-blue" troopers corps blushing to the cadet appointment.

It was a thrilling deed, to be accidentally the same dark pit with poor fortunates who vances." May we add:

Boys, please let us coffee in peace. You of our rank, put us Ring" or throw us patch, but PLEASE, the cadence, huh? Give

- T. M. How...
- F. J. Koen...
- B. C. Wall...
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